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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examining the present patent application and to calculating the fees for the present filing, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-19 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims.

- (New) A method for producing a stator assembly for use in an 20. electromechanical machine, the method comprising steps of:
- providing a magnetically permeable stator core having plurality of (a) radially-disposed, axially-extending winding slots extending between first and second ends;